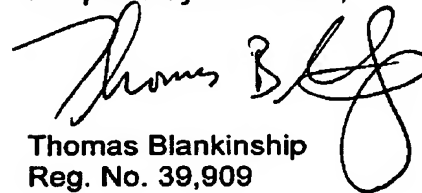


REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are pending in this application. Claims 8-11 have been withdrawn.

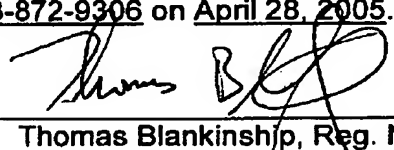
The Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1-7) for further prosecution on the merits.

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